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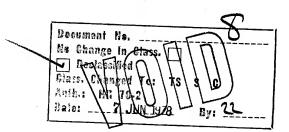
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- 1. Since the elections of 5 March 1950, there have been rumors about the internal dissatisfaction with the leadership of the Populist Party, and an impending split within the group.
- 2. since the publication of the court decision blaming Populist Panagiotis Hadjipanos (former Minister of Transport) for the "Skopa" spandal, rumors have been more widespread than ever. One story has it that members of the Populist Party are pressing Stefanos Stefanopoulos to lead the schismatic movement and to gather into his own movement, all the sound elements in the Populist Party. 25X1X
- Stefanopoulos is "hesitant by nature" and has not made any decision in this matter; he apparently feels that the change in leadership, as well as all necessary reform, should come from with in the party itself.



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